

The participants were presented with several news articles published in

national newspapers related to violence against women.

The researchers divided the sample into three groups according to the degree of manipulation of the news.

In the first case, the aggressor's violence was justified ("he was drunk", "he was a violent person"); in the second case, they provided information related to the victim ("the aggressor had asked her to marry him and she refused") and, finally, they presented the same news in a completely objective way.

On the basis of the results, the researchers said that in the treatment of news related to violence against women, they had found frequently "justifications or reasons" (alcohol, jealousy, arguments, situations of prolonged unemployment, etc) "presented by the media to the audience as possible causes of the described situation".

The researchers said that with this work, "they do not intend to point to the media as responsible for the increase of cases of violence against

women."

They, however, think that "the media should be more rigorous when it comes to tell the news related to this kind of violence".

The results of this work will be published in the next issue of the journal Anuario de Psicologma Jurmdica.

Copyright Asian News International/DailyIndia.com Share it:

